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SUBJ: EXCESS CURRENCY AID TO NEPAL

REF: A, STATE 229032, B, NEW DELHI 12674, C, STATE 226127

1. AS WE UNDERSTAND STATE 229032 (REF A) REPAYMENT TO COOLEY A OF RS 38 MILLION WILL STILL BE MADE AS INSTRUCTED REF C BEFORE SEPTEMBER 39, 1976. THIS IS EXPECTED TO LEAVE ONLY RS 60 MILLION IN COOLEY B. IN ORDER TO TRANSFER RS 25 MILLION TO NEPAL, AND KEEP RS 55 MILLION IN COOLEY B FOR ANNUAL CONVERSION, NEW BORROWING OF RS 20 MILLION WIL HAVE TO BE MADE FROM COLLEY A. IS THIS CORRECT?

2. AS INDICATED IN REF C, EMBASSY'S ORIGINAL PROJECTION IF FIRST TRANCHE OF RS 25 MILLION FOR NEPAL APPROVED WAS TO DISBURSE SECOND TRANCHE OF RS 50 MILLION IN JANUARY. THIS TOOK INTO CONSIDERATION NOT ONLY DECEMBER COLLECTIONS AND DOLLARS CONVERSION REQUIREMENT BUT ALSO FACT WE SHOULD COMPLETE DISBURSEMENT OF ALL AID TO NEPAL FROM OUR EXCESS CURRENCY ACCOUNTS BEFORE FEBRUARY 18, 1977.

3. PRESENT YEAR'S AID TO NEPAL FIGURE WAS INCLUDED IN BUDGET ESTIMATE SUBMITTED TO GOI LAST DECEMBER. AFTER EMBASSY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DISCUSSIONS WITH GOI, ORIGINAL RS 80 MILLION FIGURE WAS

RENEGOTIATED AT PRESENT RS 75 MILLION LEVEL. EMBASSY CONSIDERS
GOI FULLY INFORMED AND SUBJECT THEREFORE SHOULD NOT BE
REOPENED. SAXBE

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